

## GIMBAL BOOT FOR FISHING ROD

### Abstract of the Disclosure

A boot for covering a gimbaled butt end of a fishing rod includes a neck portion and an enlarged base with a body engaging surface structured and disposed for comfortable engagement against the body of a fisherman to thereby protect the body from pain and injury caused by the gimbaled butt end. An open end of the neck portion communicates with a hollow receptacle extending axially through the neck portion for receipt of the butt end therein. An inner wall surface surrounding the receptacle is tapered from the open end to a bottom of the receptacle and frictionally engages the butt end to hold the boot on the fishing rod. The body engaging surface is softer, smoother and larger than the butt end of the rod to thereby increase the force displacement area against the fisherman's body when fighting a fish.